

Work Task F2: Avian Use of Restoration Sites

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Purpose:	Monitor effectiveness of restoration sites in providing habitat for LCR MSCP covered avifauna.
Conservation Measures:	MRM1 and MRM2
Long-term Goal(s):	Monitoring restoration sites for avian use will continue throughout the LCR MSCP in order to provide data for the adaptive management process, and to develop management criteria for restored sites.
FY2006 Estimate:	\$125,000 includes costs for Reclamation staff, travel, and miscellaneous supplies.
FY2007 Estimate:	\$150,000 includes costs for Reclamation staff, travel, and miscellaneous supplies.
FY2008 Estimate:	\$175,000 includes costs for Reclamation staff, travel, and miscellaneous supplies.
Project Description:	Riparian habitat restoration will benefit nine LCR MSCP covered avian species, including southwestern willow flycatcher and yellow-billed cuckoo. Restoration demonstration sites such as Cibola Nature Trail and Beal Lake will be monitored for bird activity, using a variety of techniques including point counts, area searches, and species specific survey protocols. Protocols will be developed to monitor habitat creation sites as the LCR MSCP evolves. Data gathered will be used in the adaptive management process to design riparian habitat restoration projects to provide covered species habitat.